Supporting Information

An Integrated Framework for Assessing Impacts of CO_2 Leakage on Groundwater Quality and Monitoring-Network Efficiency: Case Study at a CO_2-EOR site

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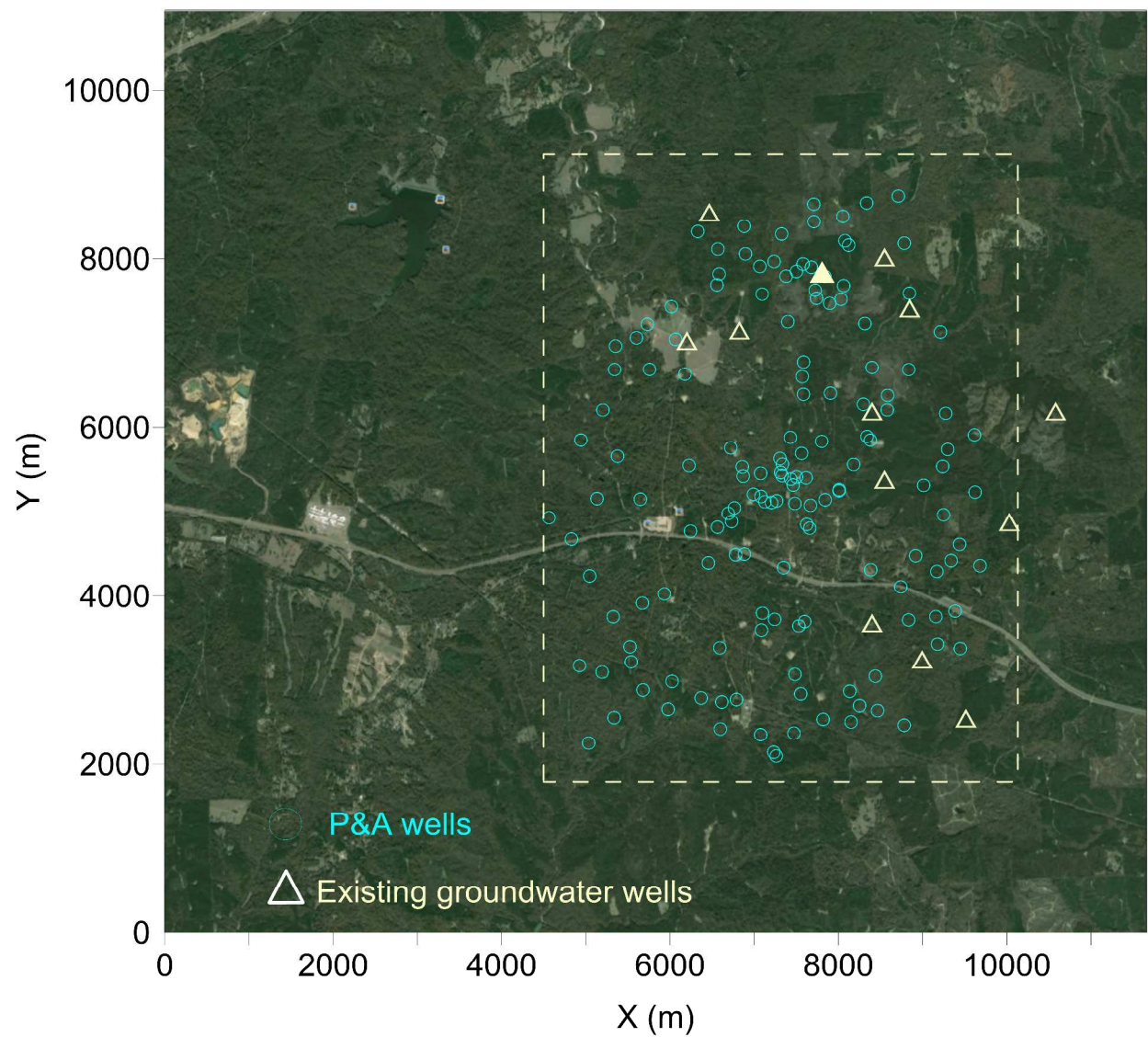
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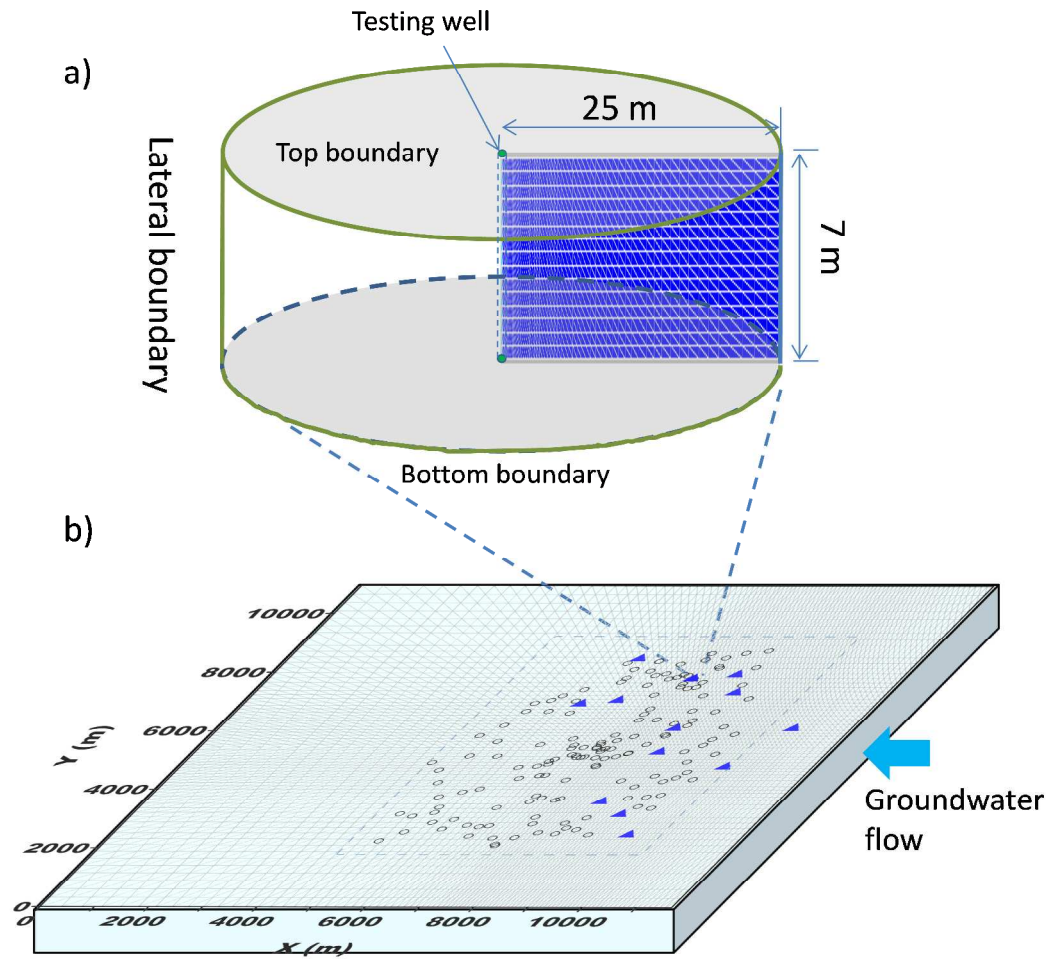

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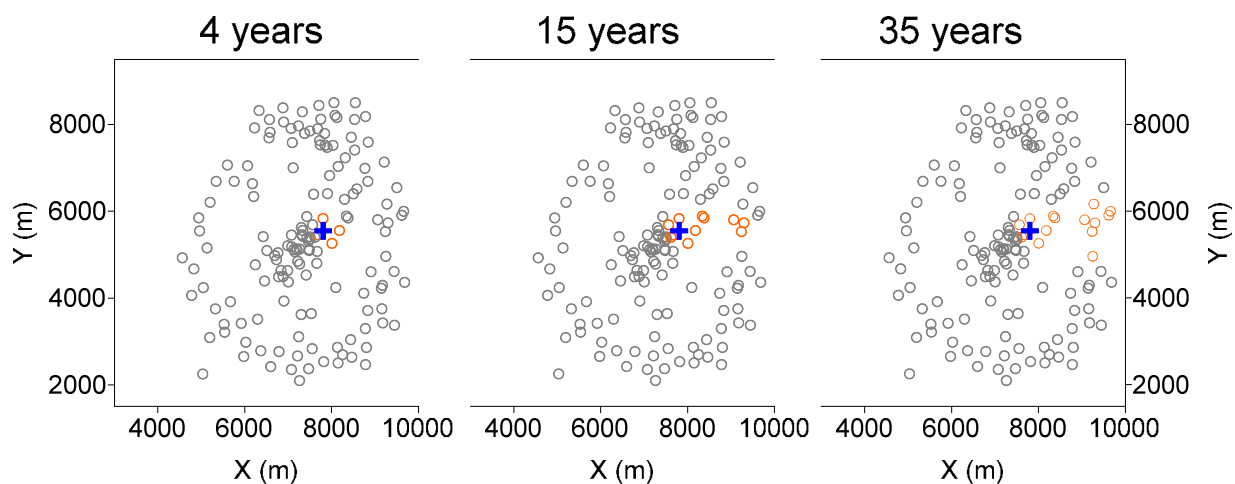
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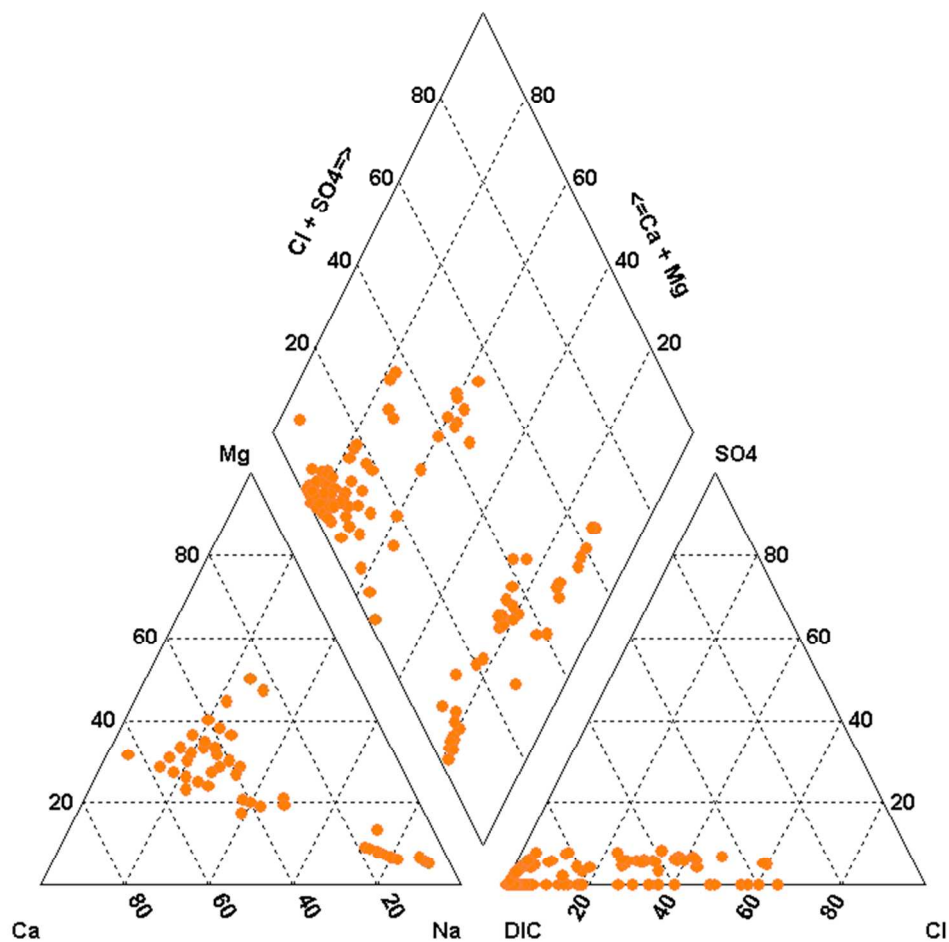
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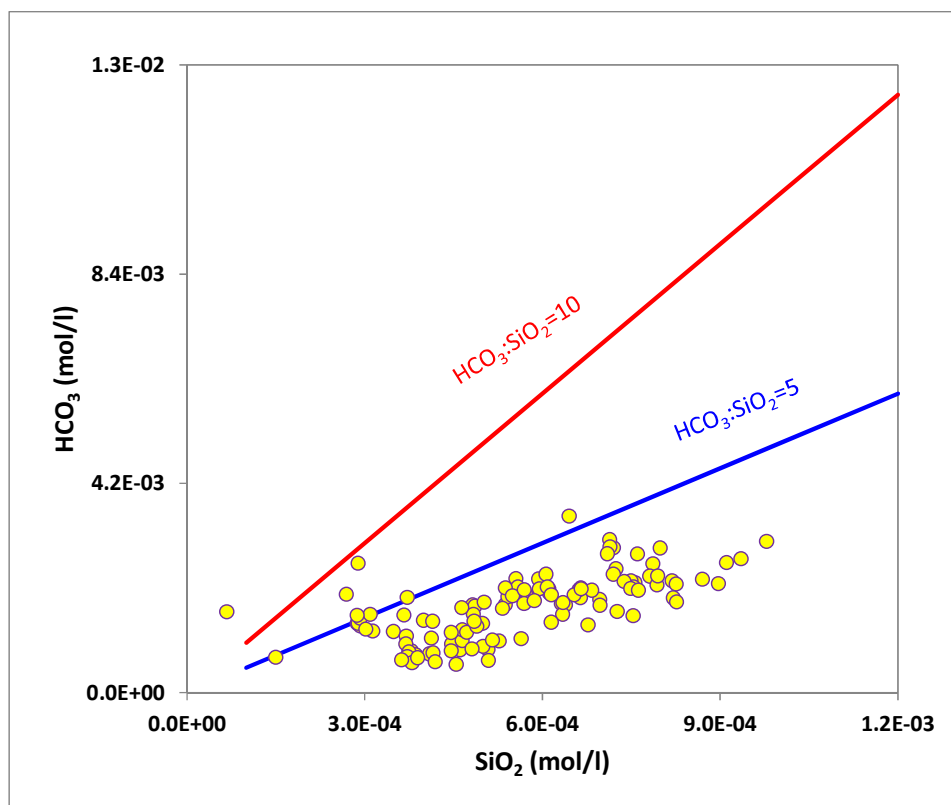
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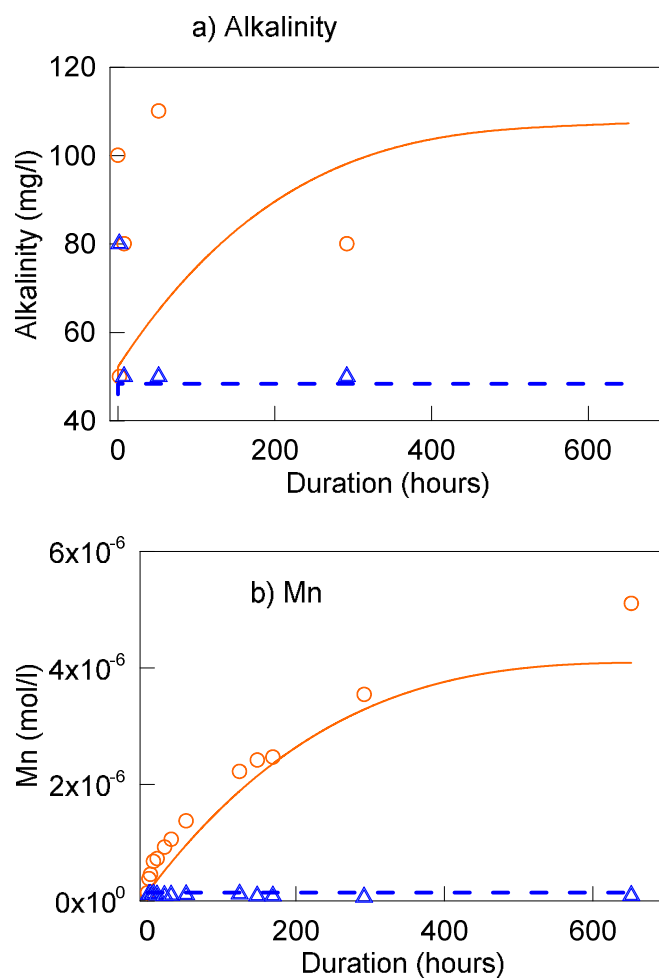
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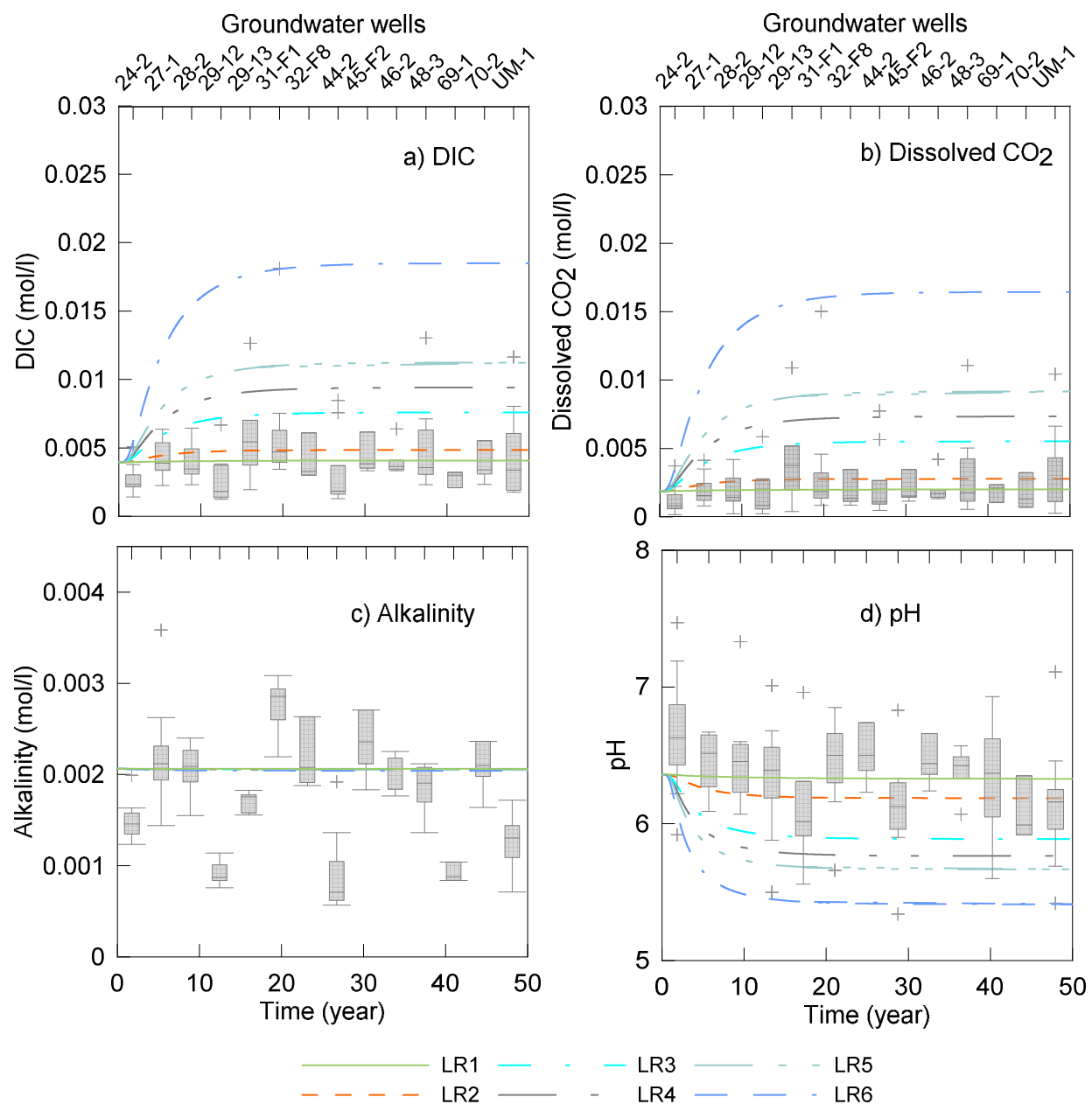
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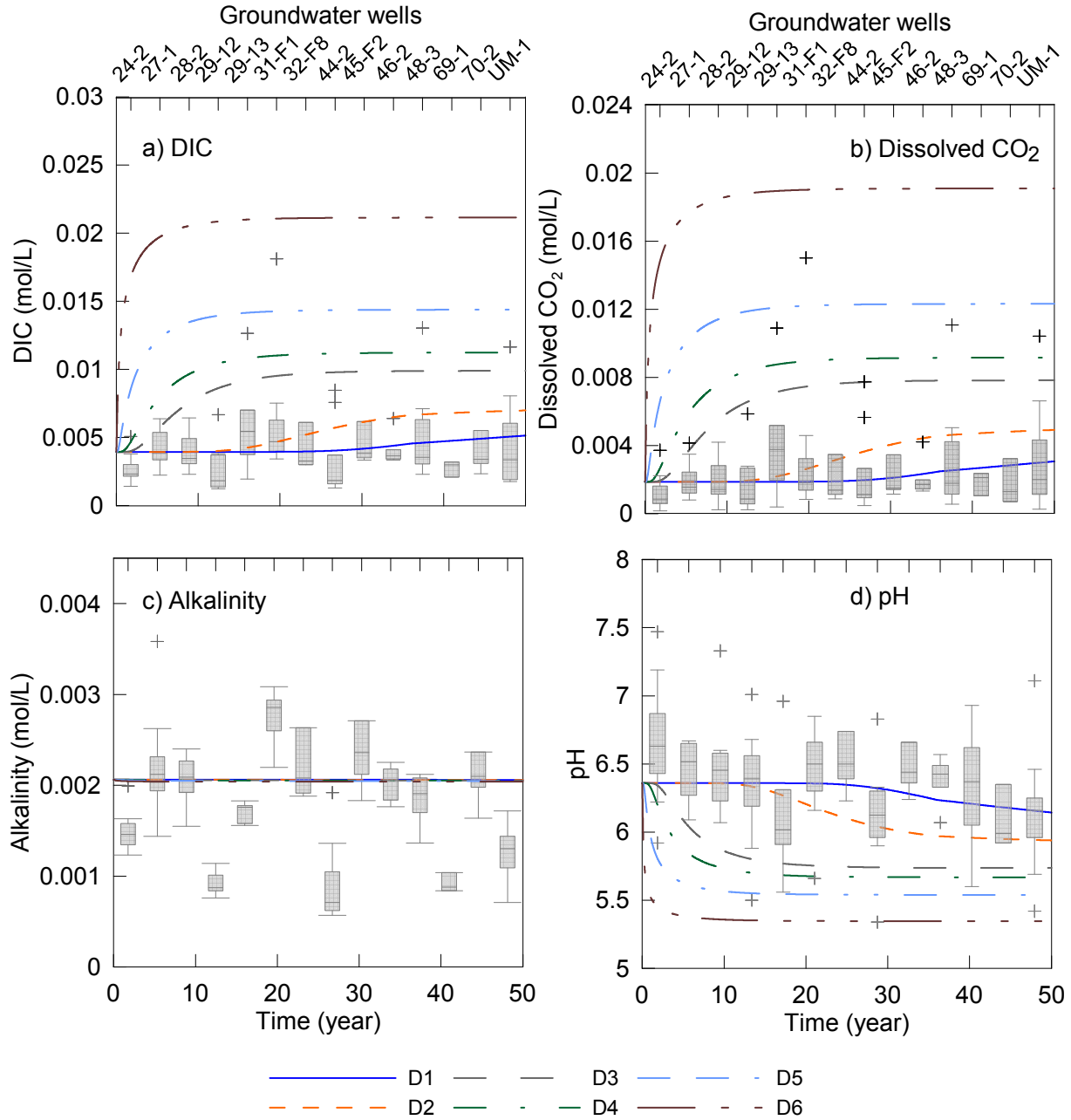
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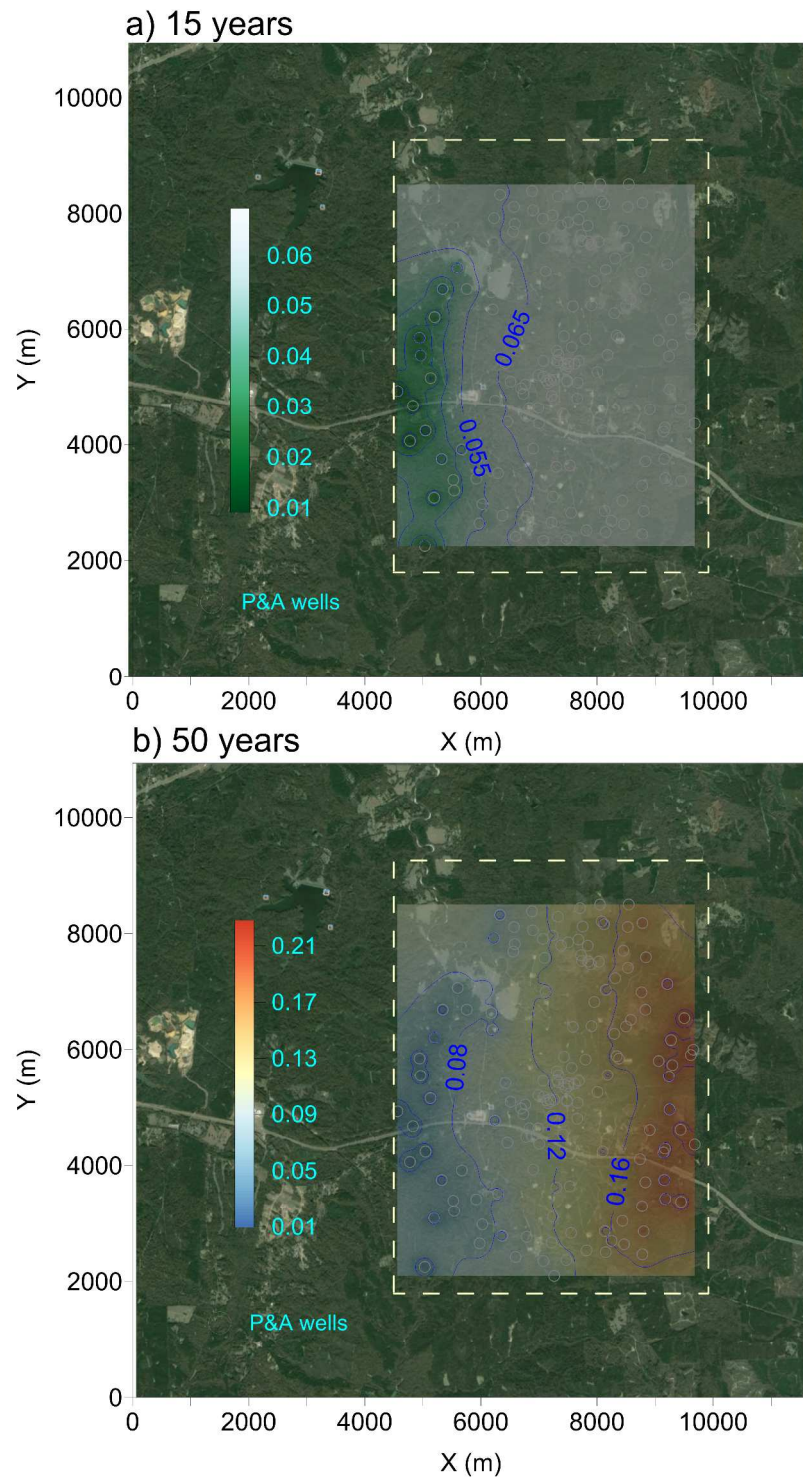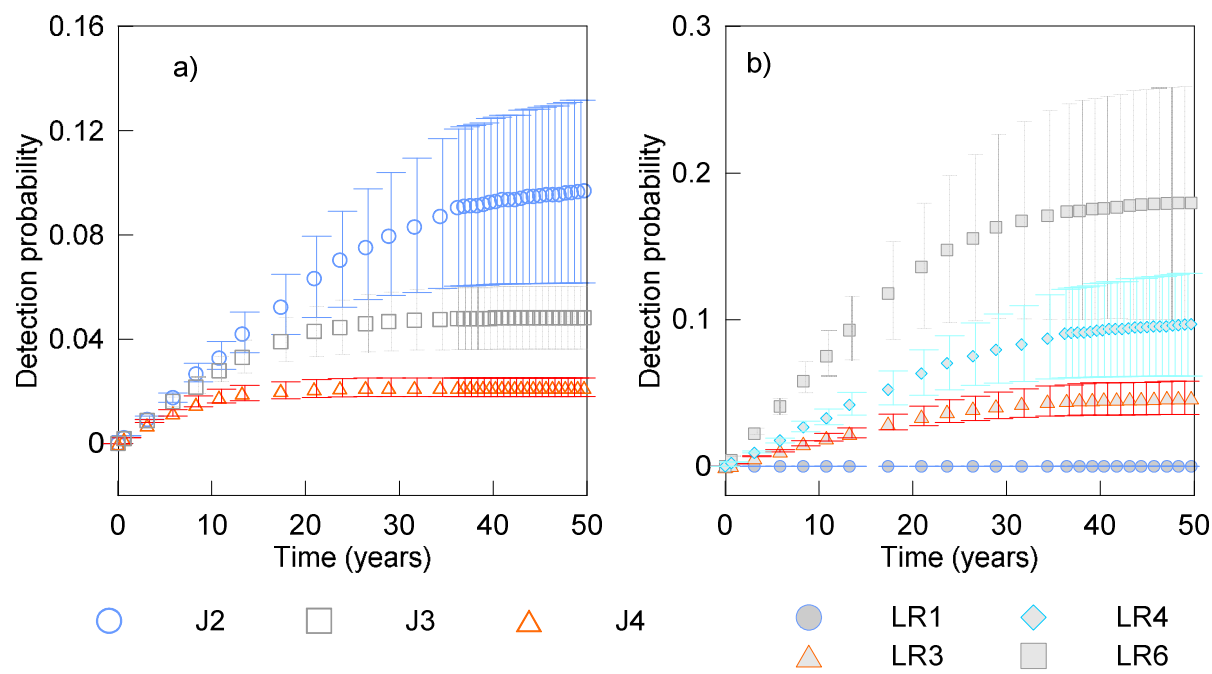
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Aqueous complexes and their dissociation constants

Aqueous complex	$Log_{10}K$ (25°C)	Aqueous complex	$Log_{10}K$ (25°C)	Aqueous complex	$Log_{10}K$ (25°C)	Aqueous complex	$Log_{10}K$ (25°C)	Aqueous complex	$Log_{10}K$ (25°C)
$Al(oh)_2^+$	10.10	$H_2AsO_4^-$	-21.41	$NaCO_3^-$	9.81	$BaCl^+$	0.50	$HSiO_3^-$	9.95
$Al(oh)_{3(aq)}$	16.16	$H_3AsO4(aq)$	-23.64	$NaSO_4^-$	-0.82	$BaOH^+$	13.47	HSO_4^-	-1.98
$Al(oh)_4^-$	22.15	$HAsO_4^{2-}$	-14.66	$PbOH^+$	7.57	$CaCl^+$	0.70	$KBr_{(aq)}$	1.74
$Pb(OH)_{2(aq)}$	17.07	$CaHCO_3^+$	-1.05	$KCl_{(aq)}$	1.50	$PbCO_{3(aq)}$	-3.06	$CuCl^+$	-0.44
$Pb(CO_3)_2^{2-}$	11.24	$CaOH^+$	12.85	$KOH_{(aq)}$	14.46	$PbCl^+$	-.45	$FeCl^+$	0.17
$PbHCO_3^+$	-2.89	$CaSO_{4(aq)}$	-2.11	KSO_4^-	-0.88	$PbCl_{2(aq)}$	-2.01	$FeHCO_3^+$	-2.04
$MgCl^+$	0.14	$PbCl_3^-$	-1.70	$H_2AsO_3^-$	9.13	$MnCl^+$	-0.30	$CO_{2(aq)}$	-6.34
$MgCO_{3(aq)}$	7.35	$PbCl_4^{2-}$	−1.50	$H_3AsO_4(aq)$	-23.64	$NaBr_{(aq)}$	1.36	CO_3^{2-}	10.33
$MgHCO_3^+$	-1.04	OH^-	13.99	$H_2AsO_4^-$	-21.41	$NaCl_{(aq)}$	0.78		

Mineral reactions and kinetic parameters[a]

Mineral	$Log_{10}K$	Neutral mechanism		Acid mechanism			Base mechanism		
		k (mol/m²/s)	E(kj/mol)	k (mol/m²/s)	E(kj/mol)	n_1	k(mol/m²/s)	E(kj/mol)	n_3
Quartz	-4.00	$3.023×10^{-14}$	87.7						
Kaolinite	5.10	$6.918×10^{-14}$	22.2	$4.898×10^{-14}$	65.9	0.78	$8.913×10^{-18}$	17.9	-0.472
Dolomite	2.51	$2.951×10^{-8}$	52.2	$6.464×10^{-4}$	36.1	0.5	$7.762×10^{-6}$	34.8	0.5[b]
Illite	7.06	$1.660×10^{-13}$	35	$1.047×10^{-11}$	23.6	0.34	$3.020×10^{-17}$	58.9	-0.4
K-feldspar	-1.13	$3.890×10^{-13}$	38	$8.710×10^{-11}$	51.7	0.5	$6.310×10^{-22}$	94.1	-0.823
Albite	1.91	$2.754×10^{-13}$	69.8	$6.918×10^{-11}$	65.0	0.46	$2.512×10^{-16}$	71	-0.572

Surface complex of arsenic and lead on kaolinite and illite

Adsorbent	Surface complexes	Reactions	Log K_{int}
Kaolinite	Kao_Pb+	$Kao\_OPb^+ + H^+ \rightleftharpoons Kao\_OH + Pb^{2+}$	-1.89[c]
	Kao_H₂ASO₃	$Kao\_H_2ASO_3 + H_2O \rightleftharpoons Kao\_OH + H_3ASO_3$	-8.23[d]
	Kao_HASO₃⁻	$Kao\_HASO_3^- + H_2O + H^+ \rightleftharpoons Kao\_OH + H_3ASO_3$	0.664[e]
	Kao_ASO₃²⁻	$Kao\_HASO_3^{2-} + H_2O + H^+ \rightleftharpoons Kao\_OH + H_3ASO_3$	13.67[e]
Illite	Ill^s_OPB+	$Ill^s\_OPb^+ + H^+ \rightleftharpoons Ill^s\_O + Pb^{2+}$	-1.37[f]
	Ill^w_OPB+	$Ill^w\_OPb^+ + H^+ \rightleftharpoons Illw\_O + Pb^{2+}$	3.84[f]
	Ill_H₂ASO₃	$Ill\_H_2ASO_3 + H_2O \rightleftharpoons Ill\_OH + H_3ASO_3$	-9.07[g]
	Ill_HASO₃	$Ill\_HASO_3^- + H_2O + H^+ \rightleftharpoons Ill\_OH + H_3ASO_3$	-3.0[g]
	Ill_ASO₃²⁻	$Ill\_HASO_3^{2-} + H_2O + H^+ \rightleftharpoons Ill\_OH + H_3ASO_3$	10.3[g]

Cation exchange reactions and selectivity coefficients[h]

Cation exchange reaction	$K_{Na/M}$	Cation exchange reaction	$K_{Na/M}$
$Na^+ + X–K \leftrightarrow X–Na + K^+$	0.2	$Na^+ + 0.5\ X–Ca \leftrightarrow X–Na + 0.5\ Ca^{2+}$	0.4
$Na^+ + 0.5\ X–Mg \leftrightarrow X–Na + 0.5\ Mg^{2+}$	0.45	$Na^+ + 0.5\ X–Mn \leftrightarrow X–Na + 0.5\ Mn^{2+}$	0.55
$Na^+ + 0.5\ X–Ba \leftrightarrow X–Na + 0.5\ Ba^{2+}$	0.35		

Note:

[a] All rate constants are listed for dissolution and rate laws that can be described by

$$\frac{dm}{dt} = -S_A \begin{bmatrix} k_{acid}^{298.15\ K} e^{\frac{-E_{acid}}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298.15K}\right)} a_{H^+}^{n_1}(1 - \Omega^{p_1})^{q_1} \\ +k_{Neut}^{298.15\ K} e^{\frac{-E_{neut}}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298.15K}\right)}(1 - \Omega^{p_2})^{q_2} \\ +k_{base}^{298.15\ K} e^{\frac{-E_{base}}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298.15K}\right)} a_{H^+}^{n_3}(1 - \Omega^{p_3})^{q_3} \end{bmatrix}$$

where S_A is reactive surface area; $k_{acid}^{298.15}$, $k_{neutral}^{298.15}$, $k_{base}^{298.15}$ are rate constants for acid, neutral, and base conditions, respectively, at a temperature of 298.15 K; $E_{acid}, E_{neut}, E_{base}$ are activation energies (J mol⁻¹); T is temperature (K); R is gas constant; Ω is mineral saturation index; p and q are empirical and dimensionless parameters; a_{H^+} is activity of H^+ in water; and n is reaction order.

[b] Reaction order of n_3 with respect to $P(CO_2)$.

[c] K_{int} from Müller and Sigg, 1992.

[d] K_{int} from Manning and Goldberg, 1997.

[e] K_{int} from Gu and Evans, 2007.

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[g] Selectivity coefficients from Appelo and Postma, 2005.

Table S2. Water chemistry of initial water used in batch background water and injected water used in numerical models

Species	Batch-scale model for lab experiment [a] (M)	Site-scale model for push-pull test		Regional scale model	
		Background water [b] (M)	Injected water [c] (M)	Background water [d] (M)	Leakage water [e] (M)
Al	2.28×10^{-6}	4.52×10^{-8}	4.53×10^{-8}	6.94×10^{-8}	6.94×10^{-8}
As	2.67×10^{-9}	2.67×10^{-9}	2.68×10^{-9}	2.04×10^{-9}	2.04×10^{-9}
Ba	6.01×10^{-7}	5.05×10^{-7}	5.06×10^{-7}	8.83×10^{-7}	8.83×10^{-7} $(5.48 \times 10^{-4)}$
Br	8.76×10^{-7}	1.25×10^{-7}	1.43×10^{-3}	8.43×10^{-7}	8.43×10^{-7}
Ca	5.28×10^{-4}	4.70×10^{-4}	4.90×10^{-4}	3.92×10^{-4}	3.92×10^{-4} $(3.01 \times 10^{-1)}$
Cd	3.56×10^{-10}	1.62×10^{-9}	1.61×10^{-9}	8.07×10^{-9}	8.07×10^{-9} $(5.22 \times 10^{-7)}$
Cl	2.95×10^{-4}	7.36×10^{-4}	7.38×10^{-4}	6.08×10^{-4}	6.08×10^{-4} $(2.935 \times 10^{-0)}$
Cu	3.94×10^{-8}	1.24×10^{-8}	1.25×10^{-8}	7.28×10^{-8}	7.28×10^{-8}
Fe	5.45×10^{-6}	3.21×10^{-8}	3.21×10^{-8}	3.12×10^{-5}	3.12×10^{-5} $(3.20 \times 10^{-8)}$
K	1.31×10^{-4}	3.45×10^{-5}	3.49×10^{-5}	6.96×10^{-5}	6.96×10^{-5}
Mg	3.46×10^{-4}	3.31×10^{-4}	3.39×10^{-4}	2.63×10^{-4}	2.63×10^{-4} $(4.55 \times 10^{-2)}$
Mn	1.41×10^{-7}	2.60×10^{-8}	2.61×10^{-8}	3.16×10^{-6}	3.16×10^{-6} $(3.84 \times 10^{-4)}$
Na	6.25×10^{-4}	5.04×10^{-4}	1.85×10^{-3}	1.09×10^{-3}	1.09×10^{-3} $(2.23 \times 10^{-0)}$
Pb	1.45×10^{-10}	1.45×10^{-10}	1.25×10^{-10}	5.47×10^{-9}	5.47×10^{-9} $(3.04 \times 10^{-6)}$
Si	4.50×10^{-4}	4.72×10^{-4}	4.80×10^{-4}	5.34×10^{-4}	5.34×10^{-4} $(4.72 \times 10^{-4)}$
SO4	1.06×10^{-4}	8.27E-07	9.71×10^{-6}	3.03×10^{-5}	3.03×10^{-5} $(5.07 \times 10^{-7)}$
Dissolved inorganic carbon	2.00×10^{-3}	3.81×10^{-3}	3.53×10^{-2}	3.94×10^{-3}	0.362
pH	8.57	5.8	4.9	6.36	3.7

Notes:

[a] Water chemistry in the flask prior to CO_2 bubbling, used as an initial condition in the geochemical model for the batch experiment.

[b] Water chemistry in the shallow aquifer before the push-pull test was conducted, used as an initial condition in the reactive transport model for the push-pull test.

[c] Water chemistry injected into the shallow aquifer.

[d] Water chemistry averaged based on groundwater chemistry data during the period of 2008 to 2014.

[e] Groundwater chemistry obtained by equilibrating background water chemistry with CO_2 gas at pressure of 4 atm using PHREEQC[2]. The values within the parentheses for the brine compositions are from Lu et al. (2012)[3]

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	T (°C)	Conductivity uS/cm²	pH	Alkalinity mg CaCO₃/ l	Dissolved inorganic carbon[b] (mmol/l)	Ca ppm	Mg ppm	K ppm	Na ppm	Si ppm	Cl ppm	SO4 ppm
EPA MCL[c]			6.5-8.5[a]							1.9	250[a]	250[a]
Minimum	17.6	111.6	5.34	30	1.2	3.9	1.5	1.1	7.6	1.9	2.7	0.2
Q1	20.2	217.0	6.16	61	2.3	8.4	2.3	1.5	9.6	11.6	4.8	3.9
Q2	20.9	232.5	6.38	89	3.4	20.0	8.1	2.0	12.1	15.6	5.8	4.9
Q3	21.5	263.5	6.58	107	4.6	23.0	9.0	2.8	31.6	19.6	37.0	8.4
Maximum	25.8	391.1	7.47	154	18.1	27.9	10.2	8.4	74.3	27.5	95.1	13.7
stdev	1.3	53.8	0.4	31.9	2.5	7.5	3.1	1.9	19.1	5.2	25.5	3.0

	Al (ppb)	As ppb	Ba ppb	Cd ppb	Cr ppb	Cu ppb	Fe ppm	Mn ppb	Pb ppb	Zn ppb
EPA MCL	50-200[a]	10	2000	5	100	1000[a]	0.3[a]	50[a]	15	5000[a]
Minimum	0.01	0.11	6.8	0.0	0.027	0.043	0.001	0.6	9.3×10^{-4}	0.5
Q1	1.09	0.54	35.5	0.4	0.093	0.52	0.044	9	0.014	7.3
Q2	1.21	0.74	130.3	1.0	0.26	3.0	0.7	107	0.036	16.2
Q3	1.46	1.62	190.0	3.0	2.0	6.9	1.8	168	7.7	23.8
Maximum	17.6	33	271.8	5.9	3.0	34	14.9	708	12.0	1187
stdev	4.0	8.3	79.5	1.7	1.1	6.2	3.3	179	4.34	214.4

Notes:
[a] Secondary maximum contamination level in national secondary drinking-water regulation.
[b]. Dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) of each groundwater sample was estimated based on groundwater chemistry using PHREEQC.
[c] EPA MCL represents maximum contamination level regulated by US EPA primary and secondary drinking water standards.
Q1 is the middle number between the minimum and the median of the data set; *Q2* is the median of the data set; *Q3* is the middle value between the median and maximum value of the data set; and *stdev* stands for "standard deviation of the data set."

Table S4. Model parameters in geochemical model of batch experiment and reactive transport model of single-well push-pull test

Model parameters		Batch experiment	Single-well PPT
Volume fraction in aquifer sediments	Dolomite (%)	1.45×10^{-3} $(1.18\times10^{-3}, 3.93\times10^{-2})$[a]	5.90×10^{-4} $(1.0\times10^{-5}, 2.4\times10^{-2})$ [a]
	Albite (%)	1.92	1.92
	K-feldspar (%)	18.18	18.18
	Kaolinite (%)	25.80	25.80
	Illite (%)	8.16	8.16
	Quartz (%)	45.94	45.94
Reactive surface area (RSA)(m²/g)[c]	Dolomite	1.26×10^{-5} $(1.24\times10^{-5}, 1.28\times10^{-5})$ [a]	6.91×10^{-8} $(4.19\times10^{-10}, 3.51\times10^{-7})$ [a]
	Albite	4.39×10^{-2} $(3.5\times10^{-2}, 5.29\times10^{-2})$	4.4×10^{-3} $(1.3\times10^{-3}, 6.5\times10^{-3})$ [a]
	K-feldspar	5.61×10^{-2} $(1.29\times10^{-2}, 5.92\times10^{-2})$ [a]	8.35×10^{-5} $(2.11\times10^{-5}, 1.46\times10^{-4})$
	Kaolinite	3.35×10^{-3} $(1.08\times10^{-3}, 1.81\times10^{-1})$ [a]	4.18×10^{-5} $(4.19\times10^{-7}, 8.59\times10^{-5})$ [a]
	Quartz	6.13×10^{-2} $(3.62\times10^{-3}, 9.04\times10^{-2})$ [a]	3.62×10^{-2} $(3.49\times10^{-3}, 3.75\times10^{-2})$ [a]
	Illite	2.51×10^{-3} $(7.23\times10^{-4}, 5.42\times10^{-2})$ [a]	3.60×10^{-3} $(3.19\times10^{-4}, 4.01\times10^{-2})$ [a]
Total concentration of adsorbed components	Kaolinite (mol/m²)	1.2×10^{-8} $(5.85\times10^{-11}, 3.43\times10^{-8})$ [a]	1.2×10^{-8}
	Illite_w (mol/m²)	2.87×10^{-9} $(4.05\times10^{-12}, 3.15\times10^{-8})$ [a]	2.87×10^{-9}
	Illite_s (mol/m²)	3.36×10^{-10} $(4.75\times10^{-12}, 1.06\times10^{-7})$ [a]	3.36×10^{-10}
Transport parameters	Hydraulic conductivity (m/day)	N/A	7.62 (7.55, 7.69) [a]
	Longitudinal dispersivity coefficient[b] (m⁻¹)	N/A	1.5 (1.40, 1.60) [a]
	Porosity	N/A	0.1 (0.08, 0.13) [a]

Notes:

[a] The numbers between parentheses are the 95% confidence interval of the parameter, estimated with inverse algorithms.

[b] The transverse dispersivity coefficient is set at half of the longitudinal dispersivity coefficient.

[c] The surface area is for aquifer materials.

Table S5. Model parameters for numerical simulations with single leakage location

	Runs	K (m/day)	Hydrodynamic dispersion coefficient (m)	Porosity	Hydraulic gradient (%)	Flow direction [a]	Leakage rate[d] (Ton CO_2/year)
With and without brine	Run1	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	50.3 (0.50%)
	BR1[c]	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	37.7 (0.38%)
	BR2[c]	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	50.3 (0.50%)
Natural gradient	J1	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.1**	0°	37.7 (0.38%)[b]
	J2	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	37.7 (0.38%)
	J3	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.8**	0°	37.7 (0.38%)
	J4	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**1.0**	0°	37.7 (0.38%)
Leakage rate	LR1	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	0.943 (0.009%)
	LR2	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	6.28 (0.063%)
	LR3	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	25.1 (0.25%)
	LR4[e]	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	37.7 (0.38%)
	LR5	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	50.3 (0.50%)
	LR6	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	100.5 (1.0%)
Regional flow direction	FD1	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	30°	37.7 (0.38%)
	FD2	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	45°	37.7 (0.38%)
	FD3	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	60°	37.7 (0.38%)
	FD4	7.6	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	90°	37.7 (0.38%)
Dispersivity coefficient	Alf1	7.6	α_L=180, α_T=90	0.1	**0.5**	0°	50.3 (0.50%)
	Alf2	7.6	α_L=120, α_T=60	0.1	**0.5**	0°	50.3 (0.50%)
Aquifer Heterogeneity	H1	Shown in Figure S17	α_L=250, α_T=130	0.1	**0.5**	0°	37.7 (0.38%)

Notes:

[a] Flow direction is angle of flow direct count–wise to the X-axis shown in Figure S1 and the insert of Figure S18a.

[b] Numbers in parentheses represent percent of total CO_2 mass stored in the deep reservoir (10 MM ton assumed in this study) leaked over 1000 years.

[c] Brine is leaked into the aquifer with chemical compositions listed in Table S2.

[d] Leakage location (P&A well) is located in the model domain shown in Figure S4.

[e] Parameters in LR4 are the same as those in J2 for consistently naming those simulations.

S3. Impacts of dispersion coefficient, groundwater flow direction, and aquifer heterogeneity on monitoring efficiency of a monitoring network at the CO_2-EOR site

Because the dispersion coefficient can affect the lateral and longitudinal extension of a CO_2 plume in an aquifer, three runs were conducted to evaluate impacts of the dispersion coefficient on monitoring efficiency (ME); impacts of the dispersion coefficient appear to be negligible (Figure S13).

Four runs with groundwater flow direction (θ) ranging from 30° to 90° (insert of Figure S14a) were conducted. GMN1 has the lowest ME for $\theta = 0^o$ and the greatest ME for $\theta = 60^o$ (Figure S14a), while GMN7 has the greatest ME for $\theta = 45^o$ and the smallest ME for $\theta = 60^o$ (Figure S14b), suggesting that groundwater-flow direction should be considered for a GMN design.

A preliminary simulation was conducted to assess impacts of aquifer heterogeneity on ME. Stochastic realization of log K in the shallow aquifer was simulated with GCOSIM3D,[4] a sequential multi-Gaussian random function simulator. Log K is assumed to be a random Gaussian function having a spherical semivariogram, γ (h), given by [5]:

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} 0.5S\left[\left(\dfrac{h}{a}\right) - \left(\dfrac{h}{a}\right)^3\right] & if\ h < a \\ S & if\ h \geq a \end{cases}$$

where a and S are the range and sill, respectively, and h is the distance.

Because there is very limited data about spatial distribution of hydraulic conductivity in the shallow aquifer, a synthetic hydraulic conductivity was simulated with parameters of a=600 m and S=1.5 and shown in Figure S15. Mean of the hydraulic conductivity is 7.62 m/day (Table S5). The detail procedure to simulate the spatial distribution of hydraulic conductivity with GCOSIM3D can also be found in Yang and Samper (2009)[5]. Note that more realistic data about spatial distribution of hydraulic conductivity should be used in a future study. Comparison of ME in the homogeneous and heterogeneous aquifers shows that aquifer heterogeneity has impacts on ME (Figure S16). However, because a single realization of aquifer heterogeneity was simulated, multiple realizations of aquifer heterogeneity may be conducted for further understanding of the impacts of aquifer heterogeneity on ME.
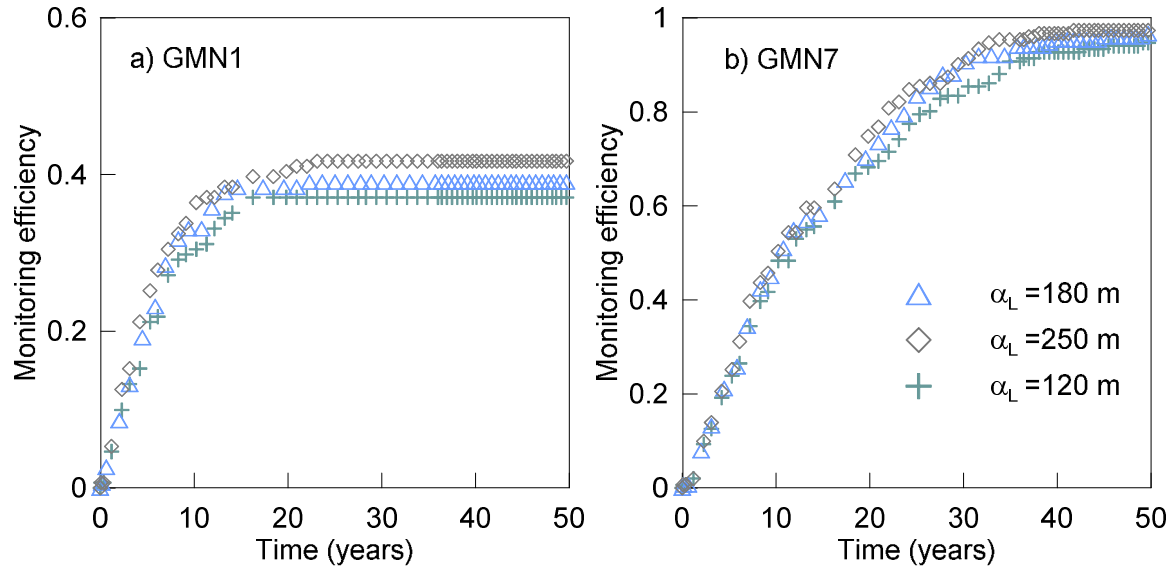
Figure S13. Comparison of monitoring efficiency with (a) GMN1, and (b) GMN7 for dissolved CO_2, with different longitudinal dispersion coefficients, α_L. (Note that the ratio of the longitudinal dispersion coefficient to the transverse dispersion coefficient keeps constant, 2 for the three runs.)
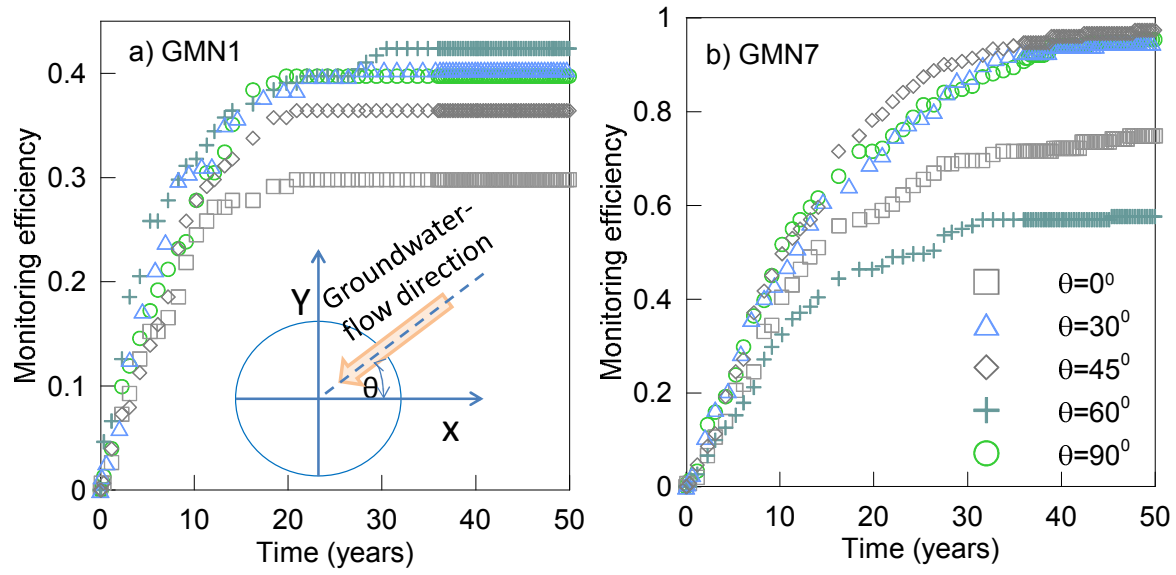
Figure S14. Comparison of monitoring efficiency of (a) GMN1, and (b) GMN7, with dissolved CO_2 for different groundwater-flow directions in the numerical simulations (Table S5).
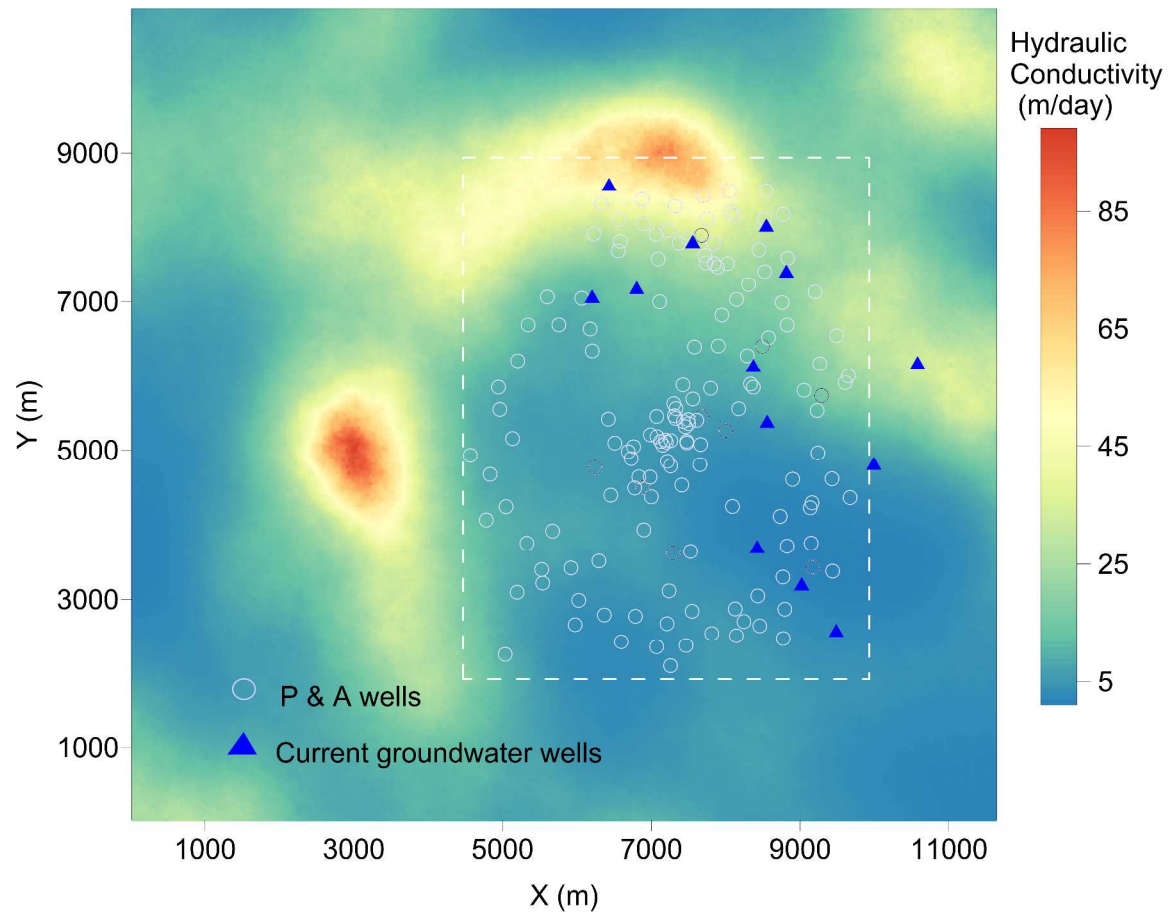
Figure S15. Spatial distribution of hypothetic hydraulic conductivity field (m/day) used in the numerical simulation to consider impacts of aquifer heterogeneity on the monitoring efficiency of the nine monitoring networks shown in Figure 1. Note that the hydraulic field in the simulation run does not necessarily represent the real hydraulic conductivity in the regional aquifer of the study area.
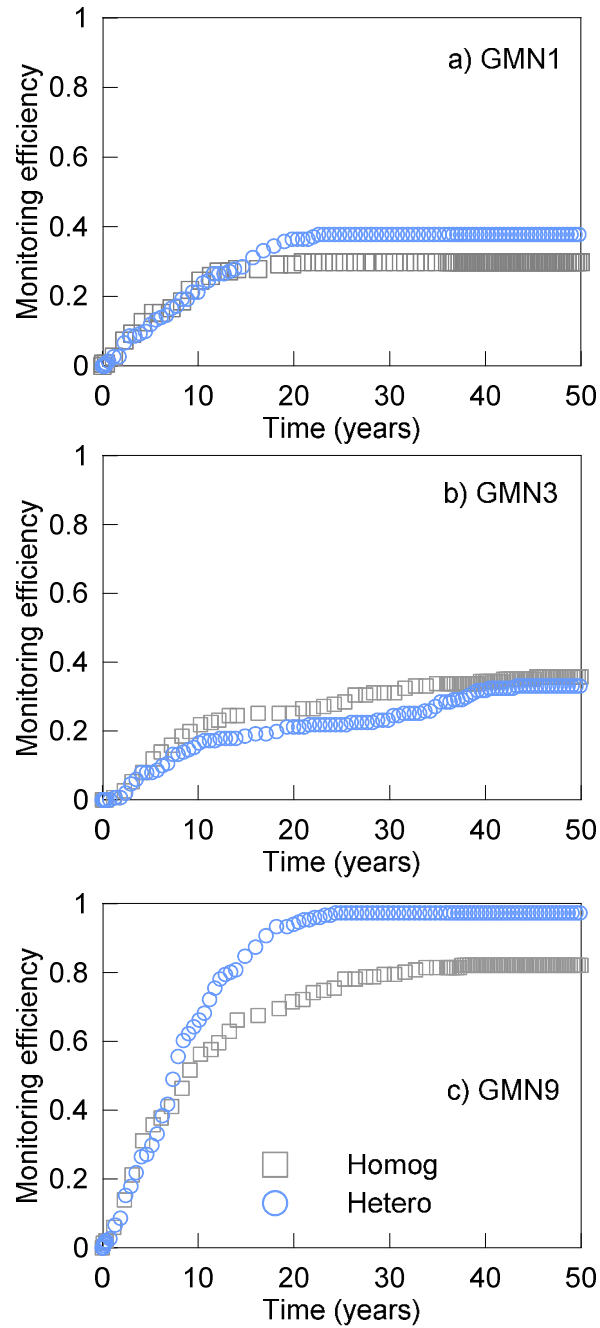
Figure S16. Comparison of monitoring efficiency with (a) GMN1, (b) GMN3, and (c) GMN9 for dissolved CO_2 in homogeneous and heterogeneous aquifers. (Distribution of hydraulic conductivity is shown in Figure S15.)

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